

## APPENDIX A: CWPP Addendum For County Wildland Fire Interagency Groups

This template may be used by County Wildland Fire Interagency Groups in order to more clearly express their priorities for hazardous fuels treatments, firefighting assistance, or other needs related to the National Fire Plan. Although the form is not required, **those County Working Groups that choose to submit this document will receive priority consideration for competitive grant and assistance funding programs.** This document provides your County Working Group with the opportunity to provide direct input into the process used to determine how National Fire Plan funds are distributed. If your Working Group would like to provide more project detail, you may attach additional sheets to this form or create your own document.

*You may submit this document by mail or e-mail to:*

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Bureau of Fire Management  
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### A. County Working Group Membership

Please list the members of your County Working Group who were involved in this decision making process including their affiliation and job title (if necessary):

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## **B. Hazardous Fuels Treatments, Non Federal Lands**

Please provide a list of hazardous fuels treatment projects that your group would like to see conducted on *private* lands. There is room available to include five projects, but you may provide more if you would like. Projects should be delineated by a specific boundary (i.e. subdivision, community, or watershed; simply stating “the eastern portion of the county” would not be specific enough). **This list of priorities may be changed at any time as projects are completed or as conditions warrant.**

Example: Castle Mountain Creeks Subdivision (adjacent to Garden Mountain BLM project, already completed)

1. Black Mountain Road Maintenance - Twentymile Road from 1 mile to Black Mountain Electronic site and lookout
2. South of Eastport, east and west sides of US 95, specific protection to railway corridor.
3. Moyie Springs area, across river and upstream from Moyie Mine
4. East side of Moyie River, around John Kirk and neighboring residences
5. North and south of Skin Creek, 1/2 mile upstream from Moyie Dam
6. Northern portion of Deer Creek Road, near the end of the County Road
7. Southern edge of Bonners Ferry where the homes and forest meet, near the High School.

## **C. Hazardous Fuels Treatments, Federal Lands**

Please provide a list of hazardous fuels treatment projects your group would like to see conducted on *federal* lands. For projects conducted within the wildland urban interface (WUI), it may be appropriate to include the adjacent community or subdivision. However, it is also appropriate to include those federal projects outside the WUI. **This list of priorities may be changed at any time as projects are completed or as conditions warrant.**

1. Templeman
2. Eastport Hazardous Fuels (Ruby-Copper)
3. East Fork Meadow Creek
4. Black Mountain
5. Twin Skins/Skin Creek
6. Two Tail (BLM with Faust/Riley Creek/Foss)

## **D. Firefighting Assistance Funds**

Please provide a list of firefighting needs for fire departments within your county. The list may include tangible resources like fire trucks and hoses, safety or communications equipment like Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and radios, as well as training and assistance with the creation of new fire districts. The purpose of this list is to create better awareness of resource needs within the county and to better allocate resources

between various grant and assistance programs at the state level. Even though the needs of a number of different fire departments or districts are to be listed here, **the needs of each fire department or district will be evaluated independently.** If fire entities are unable to develop a countywide priority list, they may list the priorities of each department or district separately. **This list of priorities may be changed at any time as projects are completed or as conditions warrant.**

**Example:**

1. Creation of a new fire district in a rural portion of the county.
2. Equipment for fire districts #1 and #2
3. New fire house for district #4

1. Paradise Valley Fire Department, Chief Jock Johnson, 208.267.7909

a. Wildland PPE's w/ goggles & helmets

b. Wildland Packs

c. Shelters

d. Communication equipment

e. Hand tools

f. Wildland hose, fittings and nozzles

2. South Boundary Fire Protection District, Tony Rohrwasser, Chief (208) 267-8052

a. P 25 Communications equipment (Repeater, Base Stations, Radios)

b. Hose reel and hose

c. Type 4-6 engine

d. Wildland hose (3/4" and 1")

e. Nozzles and fittings

f. Suction Hose

g. Portable Pumps

h. Chainsaws

i. Wildland PPE

j. Class A foam

k. Portable Tanks

3. North Bench Fire Department,

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It is the mission of North Bench Volunteer Fire Dept. to preserve life and property, promote public safety and foster growth through leadership, management and actions, as an all risk life safety response provider.

Re: County Wildfire Protection Plan.

North Bench Fire Department (NBFD) is currently not adequately equipped to effectively fight wildland fire. We critically need a dependable Brush Truck, one that is adequately supplied with hose, fittings, nozzles, chain saw, tools, hydrant gate valve etc... NBFD hopes to at least supply our current Brush Truck with sufficient supplies, equipment, PPE and tools, in order to protect property and save lives and to enable to assist other agencies in this endeavor. More often than not we are the first line of defense in wildland/urban interface areas, within our jurisdiction. NBFD has the largest district within Boundary county covering in excess of 60 square miles, which is at least 50 % forested and we are the least equipped to fight wildland fire. We provide mutual aid to five other departments and currently we are not outfitted enough too effectively or proficiently perform the job of wildland firefighting, especially in the wildland/urban interface zone. We are a subscription department and we rely on membership dues for subsistence therefore our budget is very limited, especially due to the current economic crisis.

NBFD wants to provide adequate communication (handheld radios) and personnel protective gear to every firefighter; this will help to ensure their safety. Ultimately we would like to purchase some training materials with grant funds in order to safely and effectively fight wildland fire. We also necessitate that all NBFD personnel become Firefighter 1 Certified (Red Carded) with the aim of assisting other agencies i.e. the Idaho department of Lands and the Forest Service, firefighter Safety is our number one priority. We strive as a minimum to meet the standard Fire Service Organization qualifications for personnel and apparatus.

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EACH FIREFIGHTER ON THE BONNERS FERRY FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS A BAG WITH THEIR WILDLAND GEAR STOWED ON ONE OF THE SUPPORT APPARATUS. WE ALSO HAVE TWO BRUSH TRUCKS WITH TWO HUNDRED GALLON TANKS AND PUMPS. ALSO HAVE A WILDLAND TENDER WITH TWELVE HUNDRED GALLON TANK AND PUMP.

OUR MOST PRESSING NEED IS FOR:

WILDLAND FIRE FIGHTING BOOTS

APPROPRIATE GLOVES.

ALSO OUR PANTS AND SHIRTS ARE MARGINAL

5. Hall Mountain Fire. Our district covers almost 300 square miles out of 3 stations in the northernmost part of Boundary County. There is extensive state and federal land within our district. We have been fighting wildlands fires for almost 30 years. We have always had a good working relationship with USFS and IDL and the Canadian Forestry when our district covered the Yahk;-Kingsgate area. Any money we have earned on

wildlands fires has been reinvested in increasing our wildlands capabilities. We have (2) Type III wildlands engines that carry 1100 gallons of water each. We have refurbished one of these engines on a newer chassis. The other engine is on a 1971 International chassis and needs upgraded. We are looking either for a new chassis to put under it or a complete engine to replace it. Due to the size of our area, we also have a need for a 3rd wildlands engine.

The following is a list of other needs:

- \*Training materials for in-house training.
- \*P25 compliant handheld radios
- \*5/8", 1" and 1 1/2 synthetic wildlands hose
- \*New generation fire shelters
- \*Fire packs
- \*Wildlands boots
- \*Chainsaws
- \*Backpack pumps
- \*Hand tools
- \*Thermal Imaging Camera
- \*Scotty foam equipment

Thank you  
Brad Lowther, Chief  
Hall Mountain Fire

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Please attach another sheet if necessary.

#### **E. Other prioritization needs (optional)**

What other needs do you have within your county? Any type of program not covered above may be included here such as homeowner education, a WUI Coordinator, adoption of WUI codes or ordinances, Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) requests, etc.

1. Homeowner and landowner education about life safety during wildfires, defensible space, maintenance and fire resistive building materials and landscaping.
2. Maintain updated list of Fire Safe Boundary County priorities, both HFT and other mitigation activities.
3. Create safe travel corridors, including ingress/egress routes.
4. Protect power transmission line corridors and other critical infrastructure.

5. Promote public awareness and safety education through demonstration projects.
6. Promote economic development
7. Protect natural resources.

**F. WUI Map**

If your working group has made any changes to your wildland urban interface (WUI) map, please include a copy of the map (e-mail preferred to [sschedler@idl.idaho.gov](mailto:sschedler@idl.idaho.gov)).

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